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RE: U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/813,240  
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## MESSAGE:

Dear Examiner Mondt:

Attached please find an Amendment in Response to First Office Action regarding the above-identified patent application.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please acknowledge receipt of this Amendment.

Sincerely,

Edward R. Freedman

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